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RESEARCH CENTRE IN ORDNANCE FACTORY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the scheme for establishing modern research centre in Gun Carriage Factory, Jabalpur;

(b) the role likely to be played by this centre in the manufacturing of modern weapons;

(c) whether the production target of this factory is likely to be enhanced with the establishment of this centre; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE PRODUCTION (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) & (b): A Laboratory is being created at Gun Carriage Factory, Jabalpur for taking up development of new products, up-gradation of existing products and facilitating easy absorption of technology.

(c) & (d): Government has recently decided to place a greater focus on R&D work in Ordnance Factories, and the laboratory is being set up for this purpose. Development of new products or upgrades takes considerable time; as such, it may not be possible at this stage to know details of the products that would be developed, or the possibility for increasing production targets.